

Sea Gulls Attack a Man.
A Danish sailor has had a narrow escape from meeting death from a flock of sea gulls. His ship, the *Flandria*, from Cronstadt to Copenhagen, was within fifty miles of her destination when he was washed overboard by a heavy sea. He was a powerful swimmer and, divesting himself of his clothing, prepared to make a stout battle for life. No sooner, however, had the man got clear of his garments than a great flock of sea gulls gathered around and began a fierce attack upon the intruder into their quiet domain, whom they pecked at remorselessly with their beaks. For six hours the man contrived to keep himself afloat, warding off his persecutors as best he could, one or two whips passing without noticing him. When at last a Russian steamer, the *Elisa*, took him on board his strength was utterly exhausted. — *Newcastle Chronicle*.

Charlotte Brontë's Writing.
It is generally believed that "Jane Eyre" was written by Charlotte Brontë on the backs of old envelopes or very small scraps of paper, which the authoress carefully planned together and numbered. Miss Brontë wrote so small a hand that some of her manuscripts can only be read by the aid of a magnifying glass. It is declared that on a piece of paper no larger than a playing card she would write from 400 to 500 words, and after that would insert so many corrections that the printer found it well nigh impossible to set it up. When she wrote "Jane Eyre" Miss Brontë had read few novels but those by Thackeray, whom she greatly admired. Upon Miss Brontë's modesty the authoress of her great book, but complained that the plot was familiar to him, whereupon Miss Brontë meekly replied that she thought it was original, inasmuch as she had read so little.

FOR YOUNG FOLKS.
THE MAGIC DIAL.
A Puzzling Past That Seems Akin to Mind Reading.
Ask one of your playmates to think of some hour of the day. Tell him to deduct it from 20 and remember the remainder. You produce your big clock dial and inform him that you are going to count around on the dial and that when you have counted the number corresponding with the remainder that he must remember, he must stop you.

Suppose he thought of 5 o'clock. Five taken from 20 leaves 15 remaining. You now count promiscuously (naturally not orally), pointing at each count with a pencil to one of the hours on the dial (which must be provided in advance and is made by cutting out a circle of cardboard and marking on it with ink the twelve figures of the clock face).

Be sure when you make the eighth count to point to the "12" and thence in regular rotation backward toward the left. When you come to the figure "5" you will be stopped, as this will be the fifteenth count, corresponding to



THE MAGIC DIAL.

the remainder, 15, which he was to remember. You will thus know that 5 o'clock was the hour thought of.

If this trick be repeated more than two or three times it is well to vary the number from which the deduction is to be made. Thus instead of deducting, as in the foregoing example, 5 from 20, the person addressed may be told to deduct the hour thought of from 18, but as 18 is only six hours more than 12 you must be sure to make your sixth (not the eighth) promiscuous count be at the figure "12" on the dial.

In the first example, with 20, the eighth count was made at "12" because 20 is eight more than 12. If 22 be the number adopted the tenth count must be made on figure "12," 22 being 10 more than 12, and so on with any other number.

When your friends see you are able to tell the time they thought of from different numbers to be deducted from, then they will be more mystified than ever and will become convinced you are a real mind reader if you don't let them into the secret.

THE FUNNY FROG.

How Would You Like to Be in His Bed All Winter Long?
Among the many creatures that sleep in the winter are the frogs, with their very long hindlegs, short forelegs and with big black eyes on each side of their very big mouths.

When the cold days come and the water begins to freeze in the pond the frogs know that it is time to go to bed for the winter. Down they go and their families with them to the bottom. Then they begin to dig with their long hind feet into the soft mud. They work themselves down into their beds backward until at last they are covered under the mud, all except the tips of their noses.

There they go to sleep. After awhile they have an ice spread over them, and they can sleep safely all winter. They do not get hungry all this time. When spring comes and the sun grows bright and warm and Jack Frost carries away their covering, old father frog begins to push his nose up out of the mud until his ears are uncovered. Then he nudges mother frog. "Wake up!" he says. "Don't you hear everybody busy up there?" And, oh, how sleepy she is, poor thing! But he had tried the water and found it warm, and they must not rest any longer.

Conundrums.
What is it that has neither flesh nor blood, yet has four fingers and a thumb? A glove.
What is it that no one wishes to have and yet when he has it does not wish to lose it? A bald head.
Why is a historical event like a parcel untied and tied again? Because it is recorded.

A Spoiled Story.
Young Tommy was a reckless chap as ever you did say.
He crept into the pantry once
And ate a pot of lye—
No, no; I mean a lot of pie!
The pie did not agree with Tom,
So very large a piece.
He felt so ill he hastened off
To find a pot of grease—
Dear me, I mean a great deal of peace!
He went with pain and doubled up
As tight as any clam.
"Oh, dear, I feel as bad as when
I ate that lot of jam—
No, no; I mean that lot of jam!"
This story gets so mixed at times
Under my very eyes.
I'll stop. So far what I have said
Seems like a lack of bread.
Dear me, I mean a pack of heat.
— J. D. Denham in St. Nicholas.

Her Scheme.
Mrs. De Style—He never gave her any part of his wages, but spent it all in a nearby saloon. Mrs. Gumbata—How mean! Mrs. De Style—But he gives her every cent now. Mrs. Gumbata—She's reformed him, isn't she? Mrs. De Style—No, but she runs the saloon. — *New York Times*.

AN ODD BIRD SPECIES.

She Does the Counting and He Most of the Nursery Work.

Wilson's phalarope is very common in nearly all parts of the northwestern prairies wherever there are grassy pools or sloughs. It is a quiet, beautiful little bird, with no immodest outcries, feeding prettily along the moist margins of the sloughs and not distressing itself over our presence. From nearly every standpoint this phalarope, like all other species of its class, is an anomaly among the birds. Apparently a land bird, it has partially webbed or scapulated feet and is a good and graceful swimmer. The female is the larger and handsomer of the pair. She does the counting and he most of the subsequent incubation and nursery work. He is duly meek and obedient, as becomes the husband of an amazon, for so worthy and strenuous a young female as she will not tolerate a buck hanging around while she is doing her part of useful work to be done. For chicks are clothed and able to run at birth is all that should reasonably be expected of her. Their marital relations are otherwise scandalous from our point of view. Two or three idle, vainglorious females are often seen devoting themselves to one little male at the height of the nesting season, and no one seems to be sure whether or not he is the husband of any one or all of them. Anyhow, they are all head over ears in love with him. — *Herbert K. Job in Outing Magazine*.

INDIAN REMEDIES.

Peculiar Medical Methods Used in the Far East.

Great virtues are ascribed to the claws and horns of certain animals. Tigers' claws are in great demand with the common people. One or two claws may be worn near the loins, but should one possess a larger number the fortune and wears them around his neck. Deer's horn ground into the paste is an excellent balm for pain and swellings. A more curious use is found for the same substance; it is sometimes made into a powder which is supposed to aid the growth of stunted women. The joints taken from the long and slender tail of the black scorpion are supposed to keep illness at arm's distance when children wear them on their waist threads.

A red or swollen eye is cured by having it touched with the bolt or chain of a door. A remedy which I have seen applied with considerable effect in more than one epileptic fit is to place a bunch of keys in the palm of the sufferer. I have heard it said that the fit passes away as readily if the keys are placed on the head. A rather quaint remedy in the case of a sprained neck is to use an iron measure for a pillow.

Sore throat is cured by spitting on redhot iron, quite the simplest and least expensive cure known to the native doctor. Peacock's flesh and pig's glee are the best medicines for acute rheumatism. — *Madras Mail*.

Clock Inscriptions.
In former times it was the custom of clockmakers to inscribe on the dial plates of their clocks quaint verses, one of the most common being the following:

I serve thee here with all my might
To tell the hours by day and night.
Therefore example take by me
To serve thy God as I serve thee.
Another favorite inscription was "Tempus Fugit," or "Time Flies," and thereby hangs a tale. A well known English clockmaker who flourished toward the close of the last century, on being asked by a customer whether a certain clock was of home manufacture, replied: "Oh, certainly. Don't you see the name, sir—Tummas Fugit! I often have his clock through my hands."

The Circle County.
The oddest shaped county among the thousands which go to make up the separate divisions of the various states is Warren county, Tenn. It lies almost exactly in the geographical center of the state and is about as near a perfect circle as any division of land could possibly be. The circle would be perfect but for the fact that there is a short stretch of the northern boundary line which follows a small stream for a short distance. It is bounded by Cannon, Dekalb, Coffee, Grundy, Van Buren and White counties.

Reserve Buds.
Every one has noticed how, when a large branch of a tree is cut off, small branches will shoot out around the stump. These branches are from the reserve buds, of which all trees have a great number at every portion of their surface. Under ordinary circumstances these never come to maturity, but when the tree is wounded or cut off or loses some of its branches the reserve buds at once come into play and renew the foliage.

Coming Attractions At the Grand

"ISLE OF SPICE."

The "Isle of Spice," recently seen here, and which has been titled by ardent admirers "a piquant musical mixture," and is under the direction of B. C. Whitney, will be presented at the Grand, Tuesday, Sept. 25, with identically the same cast and scenic production that characterized it on its former engagement. The book and lyrics are by Allen Lowe and George E. Stoddard and the music by Paul Schindler and Ben M. Jerome, and the performance will be under the direction of Gus Schille. One of the most striking features of the "Isle of Spice" is said to be the superb stage effects produced by Mr. Schille which are reported to be absolutely unique in treatment and have certainly brought this young man much distinction. The company is a large one, consisting of half a hundred people, the principals being Leslie Leigh, Alice Hoik, Minnie Chamberlain, Beulah Hamilton, Mary Orth, Grave Muir, W. J. McGraw, Jack Leslie, John Mylie, Harry Griffith, F. Chas. Deagon, Bert Wainwright, and the famous hard working little ponies that added so much to the musical numbers when it was seen here before. Prices, 25, 50, 75, \$1.00 and \$1.50.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO COUNCIL FOR FRANCHISE.

To whom it may concern:
Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, The Eureka Pipe Line Company, has this day filed its application with the City Clerk of the City of Clarksburg, West Virginia, to the council of said City, for a franchise to construct and maintain an extension of its present telephone and telegraph line, along and upon the following streets and alleys of said city, namely: Beginning on the West side of Third street at the intersection of the same with (Sehon) Traders alley; thence along said Traders (Sehon) Alley in an eastern direction to the intersection of said alley with Second street; thence along said Second street, in a southern direction, to the intersection of said street with Main street, thence along the north side of Main street to the eastern terminus thereof; thence across Philippi or Bukhanon street to private property outside the city limits, and thence to the plant of the South Penn Oil Company in the "Industrial Addition" east of said city; together with the right to go upon said streets and alleys within the corporate limits of said city and erect such poles and wires as may be necessary for the maintenance of said telegraph and telephone line, but the said poles and wires to be so located, under the direction of the proper authorities of said city, as not to hinder, unnecessarily, other persons in the lawful use of the said streets and alleys.

And notice is further given hereby, that after this notice shall have been published according to law for thirty days, to-wit, at the regular meeting of the said city council to be held on the 5th day of October, 1906, (or as soon thereafter as the said council may direct), the undersigned will move the said council to pass such ordinance as may be necessary and proper to grant unto it the right and franchise aforesaid.

Dated this 5th day of September, 1906.
THE EUREKA PIPE LINE CO.
By R. G. Altizer, Attorney for said company. 5c30t

Pine-salve cleanses wounds, is highly antiseptic, unequalled for racked hands. Good for cuts. Sold by F. G. Bland.

DISCOUNT ON TAXES

In compliance with an order passed by the Council of the City of Clarksburg, a discount of 2 1-2 per cent. will be allowed on all city taxes if paid at the office of the City Collector and Treasurer, 209 Court street, on or before Monday, Sept. 25th, 1906.

Tax book now open.
JOHN R. STEEL,
Collector and Treasurer.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

Bids will be received for the laying of 330 sq. yds. of brick pavement and setting 396 feet of cement curbing on North Third street, between Pike and Hewes streets, in the City of Clarksburg, West Virginia, until Thursday, September 27th, 1906, at 6 o'clock p. m.

Plans and specifications can be seen at the office of the City Clerk, 209 Court street, on and after Monday, September 24th, 1906.

The committee reserves the right to reject any or all bids.
Also for laying 50 feet of brick pavement on S. Fifth street.

J. D. McREYNOLDS,
Chairman Street Committee.

EDWARD J. DOYLE, Supt. a22td

Well Worth Trying.

W. H. Brown, the popular pension attorney, of Pittsfield, Vt., says "Next to a pension the best thing to get is Dr. King's New Life Pills. He writes 'they keep my family in splendid health.' Quick cure for headache, constipation and biliousness. 25c. Guaranteed at Frank G.

It is a well known medical fact that pine resin is most effective in the treatment of diseases of the bladder and kidneys. Sufferers from backache and other troubles due to faulty action of the kidneys find relief in the use of Pine-ules. \$1.00 buys 30 days treatment. Sold by F. G. Bland.

When two strong men come to blows, even if they are well matched, it is not a pleasing sight, but if the man who gets the worst of it will use DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, he will look better and feel better in short order. Be sure you get DeWitt's. Good for everything a salve is used for, including piles. Sold by Stone & Mercer.

Safe and reliable, Young's Headache Powders, 10c. jan29tf.

Starving to Death.

Because her stomach was so weakened by useless drugging that she could not eat, Mrs. Mary H. Walters of St. Clair st., Columbus, O., was literally starving to death. She writes: "My stomach was so weak from useless drugs that I could not eat, and my nerves so wrecked that I could not sleep; and not before was given up to die was I induced to try Electric Bitters; with the wonderful result that improvement began at once, and a complete cure followed." Best health tonic on earth. 50c. Guaranteed by Fran. G. Bland, druggist.

Tone the liver, move the bowels, cleanse the system. Dade's Little Liver Pills never gripe. Sold by F. G. Bland.

The disgusting discharges from the nose and throat and the foul catarrhal breath, are quickly dispensed with by using Dr. Shoop's Catarrh Cure. Such soothing antiseptic agents as Oil Eucalyptus, Thy mol, Wild Indigo, etc., have been incorporated into a snow white cream, making a catarrhal balm unexcelled. Sold by all dealers.

BALTIMORE & OHIO RAILROAD
Schedule Effective May 27, 1906.

CLARKSBURG, W. VA.

* Daily. * Daily except Sunday, a Sunday only.
MAIN LINE, EASTBOUND.
Cumberland, Washington, Baltimore, Philadelphia and New York, Depart *12:53 a.m., *9:35 p.m.
Arrive *12:53 a.m., *9:53 a.m., *7:28 p.m.
Grafton Accom., Depart *10:27 a.m., *7:18 p.m. Arrive *7:20 a.m., *3:40 p.m., *6:02 p.m.
MAIN LINE, WESTBOUND.
Parkersburg, Cincinnati, Louisville & St. Louis, Depart *12:53 a.m., *9:53 a.m., *7:28 p.m. Arrive *3:52 a.m., *7:53 p.m., *9:55 p.m.
Parkersburg Accom., Depart *7:30 a.m., *3:40 p.m. Arrive *10:22 a.m., *7:18 p.m., *9:05 p.m.
W. VA. & PITTS. NORTHEAST.
Connellsville and Pittsburgh, Depart *6:15 a.m., *10:25 a.m., *10:30 a.m. Arrive *3:30 p.m., *11:07 a.m., *11:05 p.m.
FAIRMONT AND MORGANTOWN.
Depart *6:15 a.m., *10:25 a.m., *10:30 a.m., *10:40 p.m., *7:05 p.m. Arrive *3:40 a.m., *9:35 a.m., *3:50 p.m., *10:00 p.m., *11:05 p.m.
W. VA. & PITTS. SOUTHEAST.
Weston, Depart *6:00 a.m., *10:30 a.m., *11:25 a.m., *10:00 p.m. Arrive *6:15 a.m., *8:55 a.m., *9:40 p.m., *10:00 p.m., *7:05 p.m.
Pickens, Depart *6:00 a.m., *1:55 p.m., *4:15 p.m. Arrive *8:55 a.m., *9:40 p.m., *7:05 p.m.
Richwood and intermediate points, Depart *6:00 a.m., *11:25 a.m., Arrive *2:00 p.m., *7:05 p.m.
Webster Springs, Depart *11:35 a.m. Arrive *2:00 p.m.
WEST VA. SHORT LINE.
New Martinsville & Wheeling Accom., Depart *5:40 a.m., *2:30 p.m. Arrive *11:18 a.m., *8:40 p.m.

Are you Suffering With Catarrh?

The first stage of catarrh is caused by taking cold. Most people pay little attention to a cold, in a little while a case of catarrh is the result. Catarrh is a local disease, caused by an inflammation of the mucous membrane of the nasal and other passages. The nasal passages being most exposed to the changes of the weather are the first to become affected. Each cold taken aggravates the disease, and it will be noticed that colds are taken much more easily as the disease progresses. Soon the accumulation of mucus begins to drop into the throat, then on down into the lungs, impregnating both with the disease. If proper medicines are applied here is no reason why catarrh cannot be cured.

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Manzan relieves instantly the pain caused by those blind, bleeding, itching and protruding piles. It is put up in collapsible tubes in such a way that it can be applied where he trouble originates, thus stopping the pain immediately. Try one bottle and if you are not relieved, your money will be refunded. Try our free offer. Sold by F. G. Bland.

B. J. Hudkins, O. D., does all kinds of optical work. See him at 105 Third street. West of post office. m10d4w

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